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SUBJECT: RELEASE OF FRENCH CREWMEN FROM PLANE WHICH HAD MADE
FORCED LANDING IN GUINEA

REF: A. CONAKRY 1776; B. CONAKRY 1816

1. GUINEAN NEWSPAPER "HOROYA" OF DECEMBER 8-14 CONTAINS
SURPRISING CENTRAL COMMITTEE COMMUNIQUE REGARDING AIRCRAFT
FROM IVORY COAST WHICH MADE FORCED LANDING IN GUINEA NOVEMBER 25,
AFTER WHICH THREE FRENCH CITIZENS ON BOARD WERE ARRESTED
AND BROUGHT TO CONAKRY (REFTEL A), THEN RELEASED (REFTEL B).
COMMUNIQUE GIVES NAMES AND BUSINESS TITLES OF THE THREE MEN,
NOTES THAT THEY CLAIMED TO HAVE BEEN ON INSPECTION TRIP IN
IC, AND MADE FORCED LANDING IN GUINEA BECAUSE OF WEATHER
CONDITIONS. MESSAGE CONCLUDES MATTER-OF-FACTLY THAT PRESIDENT
TOURE HAD PARDONED THEM AND ORDERED THEIR RELEASE TO FLY
THE PLANE BACK TO THE IVORY COAST.

2. CALM GUINEAN HANDLING OF INCIDENT AND PARTICULARLY PUBLIC
ANNOUNCEMENT OF DETENTION, RELEASE AND INNOCENCE OF THE
FRENCHMEN CONTRASTS SHARPLY WITH SIMILAR CASES IN RECENT
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YEARS IN WHICH GOG DETAINED SUCH UNEXPECTED VISITORS FOR

LONG PERIODS AND NEVER PUBLICLY ACKNOWLEDGED THE INCIDENTS.
IT IS ENCOURAGING THAT GOG DID NOT TRY TO EXPLOIT LATEST
INCIDENT TO ENCOURAGE INCREASED OPPOSITION TO FRENCH OR
IVORIANS, BUT INSTEAD APPEAR TO BE PREPARING GUINEAN
PUBLIC FOR A RETURN TO NORMAL DEALINGS WITH CERTAIN PAST
ENEMIES.
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